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In response to the Office Action dated May 10, 2002, Applicants herewith
amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The paragraph beginning at page 4, line 16 has been amended as follows:

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An object of the present invention is to provide a method for data input into a service device in order to shorten the conversion process to enter other service data. Another object is to provide a suitable arrangement for fully automatic implementation of the method. The method and apparatus should allow a postage computer to use a fee schedule table substantially contemporaneously with the communication of a new postage fee schedule table from the mail carrier to a data center. The method and apparatus also should allow a postage fee schedule table to be communicated on demand to the service device in order to be able to load this into corresponding memories of the postage computer. The method should be

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